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Reflecte Agents Wested. To those who will spoken. How instantly were the tense give their whole time to the besieves, liberal muscles relaxed how quickly the stabborn is vanished.

Gentle Hand.

When and where, it matters not now to relate but once upon a time, as I was of country, night came down upon me, almost unawares. Being on foot, I could not hope to gain the village toward which my steps were directed, until a late hour and I therefore preferred seeking the shelter and a night's lodging at the first hum

ble dwelling that presented itself. Dusky twilight was giving place to deeper shadows, when I found myself in the vicinity of a dwelling, from the small uncurtained windows of which the light shone with a pleasant promise of good cheer and comfort. The house stood within an enclosure, and a short distance from the road along which I was moving with wearied feet. Turning aside, and passing through the ill-hung gate, I approached. the dwelling. Slowly the gate swang on its wooden hinges, and the rattle of its latch, in closing, did not disturb the air until I had nearly reached the little porch in front of the house, in which a slender girl, who had noticed my entrance, stood awaiting my arrival.

A deep, quick bark answered, almost like an ecko, the sound of the shutting gate, and sudden as an apparition, the form was declared on all deposits entitled there of an immense dog loomed in the doorway. be counted as principal from November shaggy neck and a low word spoken.

"Go in, Tiger," said the girl, not in s voice of authority, yet in her gentle tones was the consciousness that she would be obeyed; and, as she spoke, she lightly bore upon the animal with her hand, and he turned away, and disappeared within the dwelling.

"Who's that ?" A rough voice asked the question; and now a heavy-looking man took the dog's place in the door. "How far is it to G - !" I asked, not

deeming it best to say, in the beginning. that I sought a resting place for the night. "To Go -- !" growled the man, but not so harshly as at first. "It's good aix miles from here." "A long distance; and I'm a stranger

and on foot," said I. "If you can make room for me until morning, I will be very thank ful. I saw the girl's hand move quickly up his arm, until it rested on his shoulder

and now she leaned to him still closer. "Come in. We'll try what can be done for you." There was a change in the man's voice hat made me wonder.

brisk are. Before the are sat two stou lads, who turned upon me their heavy eyes with no very welcome greeting. A middle aged woman was standing at a table, and

with a kitten on the floor.

"A stranger, mother," said the man who had given me so rude a greeting at the door: "and he wants us to let him stay all night."

The woman looked at me doubtingly for a few moments, and then replied "We don't keep a public house."

"I am aware of that ma'am," said but night has overtaken me, and it's ong way yet to-Too far for a tired man to go on foot, said the master of the house, kindly, "

it's no use talking about it, mother; we must give him a bed." So unobtrusively, that I scarcely noticed the movement, the girl had drawn to the woman's side. What she said to her I did not hear for the brief words were uttered in a low voice; but I noticed, as she spoke one small, fair hand rested on the woman's hand. Was there magic in that gentle

touch! The woman's repulsive aspect

changed into one of kindly welcome, and she said: "Yes, it's a long way to Gruess we can find a place for him." Many times more, during that evening did I observe the magic power of that hand and voice—the one gentle yet potent

as the other. On the next morning, breakfast being over, I was preparing to take my depart ure, when my host informed me that if would wait for half an hour he would give me a ride in his wagon to Gas business required him to go there. was very well pleased to accept of the in-vitation. In due time, the farmer's wagon was driven into the road before the house. and I was invited to get in. I noticed the borse as a rough looking Canadian pony. with a certain air of stubborn endurance As the farmer took his seat by my side the family came to the door to see us off. " Dick !" said the farmer in a perempto

voice, giving the rein a quick jerk as But Dick moved not a step. "Dick ! you vagabond! get up." And pony's ear.

It availed not, however, this second ar peal. Dick stood firmly disobedient Next the whip was brought down upon him, with an impatient hand; but the pony only reared a little. Fast and sharp the strokes vere next dealt to the number of half-slozen. The man might as well have beat en his wagon, for all his end was guined.
A stout isd now same out into the road and catching Dick by the bridle, perked him forward, using, at the same time, the customary language on such occasions, but Dick met this new ally with increased stubbornness, planting his forefeet more firmly, and at a sharper angle with the ground. The impatient boy now struck the pony on the side of his head with his bridle. It availed nothing, bowever : Dick was not to be wrought upon by any such arguments."

"Don't do so, John!" I turned my my car. She was passing through the gute into the road, and, in the next moment. had taken hold of the lad and drawn him sway from the animal. No strength was and he obeyed her wan as gratification, had no thought beyond her gratification. And now that soft hand was hid gently and he opeyed her wish as readily as if he

"Poor Dick !" said the maiden, as she)

stroked his neck lightly, or softly patted it with a child-like hand. "Now, go along, you provoking fellow!" she added, in a half-chiding, yet affectionate voice, as she drew up the bridle. The pony turned toward her, and rubbed his against her arm for an instant or two; then, pricking up his ears, he started off at a light, oheerful trot, and went on his way as freely as if no silly crotchet had

ever entered his stubborn brain. "What a wonderful power that hand possesses!" said I, speaking to my companion, se we rode away. He looked at me for a moment as if my emark had occasioned surprise. Then a ight came into his countenance, and be

aid, briefly-"She's good! Everybody and every-

was that, indeed, the secret of her pow Was the quality of her soul perceiv ed in the impression of her hand, even by brute beasts! The father's explanation was, doubtless, the true one. Yet have ever since wondered, and still do wonder, at the potency which lay in that maiden's magic touch. I have seen something of the same power, showing itself in the loving and the good, but never to the extent as instanced in her, whom, for want of a better name, I must still call "Gentle Hand."-T. S. Arthur.

For the Saturday Gazette.

Pendinah Correspondence. PENDINAR TO CHRIS.

January 22. BELOVED THOUGH ABSENT CHRISTOPHER If the science of "brain-waves" were as

thoroughly understood as many of the new ologies, and if that subtle ether of communication were as completely under our control as the electric fluid, I would not be scratching away at my hieroglyphics tonight, No, indeed! A gentle, indefinable and peculiar sensation in the region of the brain would inform you that a message was being telegraphed from the inner consciousness of some friend, and you could at once lay down your books and prepare to answer the winged thoughts. There are this arrangement. You would be deprived

Princeton student so particularly now if it two children were amusing themselves were not the fashion this evening to write letters. I certainly do not owe you an epistle, and what is more, have nothing to say to you; but the infection seems to have seized me, pen and ink are at hand, and no other correspondent of mine could with impunity be talked to when I am in one of my nensensical moods.

Had I Exter's pencil at my command you should have a full page portrait of l'ons Tons as "Il Penseross." She sits opposite, writing to Dean, but what is the cause of the pensive look on her face I do cause of the pensive look on her face I do Congress she has gained two members not know. It may be that she is inwardly while her larger sister Pennsylvania, with a sighing over the future prospects of that wonderful cousin of ours; for the careers but three. The great "Empire St te" of these creatures of genius are proverbially out of the beaten track of common-sense and custom; but don't let me do Rogland States, has also gained but one him injustice by supposing that he will be member. Thus it is shown that our State him injustice by supposing that he will be has increased in a greater ratio than any of a less earnest and happy worker in his own her Atlantic sisters, and she has rivaled way, than the great majority of Adam's and even surpassed many of the young

children. Time will discover. Dean's last letter to Tona contained a criticism of that favored being opposite. It is not every poet who has so fair and average value of the farm land and the kindly a judge as the one he has chosen. Indeed Antonia is more than a judge to him, she is a muse. The wings of his Mr. Hazleton was followed by Hon. J. Pegasus would grow weak indeed if they W. Scudder of the Seventh District whose

to feel beyond common mortals. It may be pleasant to play confident for a time, but the hour will certainly come when attachment will become dim and insignifiant in the radiance of the new star that

will mention Mr. Penobecot. Mother is sim next week, and solicits a contribution toward the noble State of our birth." from you. His present post office address eloquently referred to the origin of Jersey so St. Petersburg; but before we can hear men to the Puritans, the Hollanders, the Hofrom him again he will probably be resus- guenots from whom they had received the citating his Chinese in the "Flowery King-

estrained me, I would beg him to bring me as a souvenir a photograph of my name sake the Princess Pendinah; bus I fear that it would put him to tee much trouble, since the negative of her last may have been mistaid during the past two centuries ; and I have already had the promise of a splinter from the north puls, a hair

Mother has enlisted father's pen on Mr. Penobecot's behalf and I am very glad, for some troublesome basiness letters were beginning to tire his head very much, and

it will be a relief to have a one-sided chat with that dear old traveled eccentricity. Re-punctuate this letter when you receive it. The exercise will be beneficial. Do not, however, undertake so rush an enterprise as its parsing. The combined learn ing of the Faculty would be inadequate.

would be the result in the majority of Blowsalinds has just put the finishing touches on 's batch of most delicious doughnuts, and wishes that you were here to prove them. They would doubtless be more palatable and wholesome than any of the pastry to be found in Princeton-but a thousand pardons! I would not for a moment insinuate that you know any bakers or confectioners there, though it is just possible that you have gone to them to

remonstrate against selling Exter enough

roodies to ruin his teeth and constitution I know your fatherly heart and ways. I have been straining my mental vision to discover the hiding place of the most infinitessimal bit of reported news to give you, but if I have heard any this week it is lurking in some unexplored region of

my cranium. Town is as lively and brilliant as usual. which is saying -you know how much, but I like things well enough as they are and it society or the world in general waited for me to stir them up, "revolution" would be dropped from the spelling book That is because my energy is so small. I have always been fertile in theories for other people to work out.

If you have not yet gone to sleep over this, be cheered by the word Goodnight. Totally yours,

NEW JERSEY IN WASHINGTON. two prominent drawbacks, however, to THE ANNUAL RECEPTION AND REUNION. Once every year the sons and daughters of the "constitutional" to the post office; of New Jersey residing in Washington cities of the country, especially San Franand your occupations might be disturbed gather for the parpose of having a reunion cisco, where it has been introduced by the I entered a large room, in which blazed at most unreasonable hours, by the recepamong themselves and of giving a recep-State in that city. This year the event of curred on 12th inst,

At an early hour the invited guests began to arrive, and soon the spacious room was filled with an audience to which the wealth, the beauty, the learning and the

fame of the nation had contributed. After the usual preliminaries, Hon. John W. Hazelton, of First Congressional district, made the opening speech, from which we give some extracts:

"Our State is too often considered nonprogressive and not as keeping pace in population and material progress with her sister States. Greater mistake hath no man made. In comparing her with other States East of the Alleghanies for the last decade, we find that on a represention of only five members in the lower house of

giants of the West In her manufacturing interests new sonnet for the private perusal and ranks as the sixth State in importance. Her commerce in also extensive, her vessel average production per acre, as demonstrat-

were not buoyed up by the hope and devo interesting address facetiously alluded to tion which she inspires—hope for the future, and devotion to his art and to her.

It is well that Tone realized that her reign is but transitory, though I am su e her influence will not be so. She says that she is always expecting the announcement that the ideal of the dreamer's visions has burst upon his enraptured sight and grown belond him in that first text. God blem them all—and the manity text. sight, and overwhelmed him in that flery ters-God bless them all-and the manly

And my friends, ours is a State to be h sheight of the present ardent, cousinly proud of. The son or daughter of New cant in the radiance of the new star that he who has the privilege of serving her in has risen to guide his " wandering bark." any capacity. My heart swells within me Let dreams drop for the present, and for as I witness the outpouring of her sons and specimen of the emineutly practical I long miles separate us from our homes, fond memory spans the distance and causes each reing to dispetch a budget of letters to true heart to thrill with love and devotion

well evinced in the two great contests for seedom. He alluded to he facilities for general scientific education; and to her

moral and religious trainining and to her pure firm administration of law, in which she had no superiors.

Our space will not permit us to report more of this splendid effort nor of the other proceedings.

COLD BED CHAMBERS always imperil

health and invite fatal diseases. Rolu from the Pope's beard, and the autograph persone may safely sleep in a temperature

Items of Interest.

Horse cars are being introduced in

The uptown Hoboken Ferry is to be removed from Christopher street to 28rd,

Jules Michelet, the celebrated French historian died Feb. 10th.

Large and valuable beds of coal and ligand should they attempt it, brain fever nite have been discovered in various parts of the Canadian territory, between Red iver and the Rocky mountains.

> The King of Sweden has ordered a col-lection to be taken up on a fixed day throughout his Kingdom, for the benefit of Emanuel Lutheran Church in Chicago.

> A cousin of President James Madison, eighty-four years old, is now in the poor-house at Nashville Tennessee.

> We are to have another Atlantic cable hat promises to transmit messages at a hilling a word. The line will run from Breat Britain to Halifax, by way of the Azores Islands.

The Duke of Devonshire has purchased for \$10,000 a red two-year-old short-horned bull from Westbury Grange. The price is the highest ever known to have been paid for a buil-except Paul Potter's.

Another Episcopal clergyman of mark has withdrawn from that church to cast in his lot with the Reformed Episcopal church. It is Rev. Wm. Mc Guire of Washington City.

haplain of the State Prison at Concord N. H. says that of the three hundred convicts in the prison during that time, not one has been taken from any of the learned profes-The wife of a Lowell (Mass.) lawyer

sends two quarts of fresh milk every night

to the police station to render the coffee of

Rev. Eleazer Smith, for twelve years

the lodgers more palatable. They have a genuine case of leprosy in Detroit, and it is asserted that the disease is more or less prevalent in a number of

ing, the rice only a cest a pound and the people need and wear no cloths.

The House of Representatives has passed bill, authorizing any person sending books, newspapers or matter of the third-class through the mails, to write his name or initials on the outside or inside of the package without additional postage.

ricinity have been productive of an usually arge outbreak of sickness among the cattle gathered at the Smithfield Club show. Venezuela journals of January 22d conain a proclamation of President Blancoin-

The recent heavy about London and its

viting immigration, offering facilities and assistance to immigrants, and ordering agencies to be established abroad for their Alexander Agassiz has ben elected by he Massachusetts House of Representatives Trustee of the Maseum of Comparative

sasioned by the death of his father. Bishop Janes never came nearer the truth than when he said, at the anniversary of the Sunday School Union. "The song literature of the modern Sunday-school contains one grain of sense, one of melody, one

of religion, and seven of nonsense!"

Zoology, Cambridge, to fill the vacancy oc-

"It is an honour to womanhood that not dollar has ever been missing from the Department of the Controller of the Currency, where women exclusively are employed as The number of languages now spoken in

the world has been variously estimated

from two or three hundred up to as many

thousands, according as the various dis-lects are enumerated. Adelung announced

3.064 distinct languages; Balbi 800 languages and 5,000 dialects; and Max Muller has has calculated that there are 900 known languages. A return-made by the medical officer of London hospital, shows that out of 411 chidren under 15 years, suffering from small pox during the last epidemic, 80 children died of the discesse. Of the 80 children 77 had never been vaccinated, and the other

three, though vaccinated, only showed de-fective marks. No child showing good

vaccination marks died. WOMEN AN SCHOOL CONCESSIONERS. To the surprise of a great many conserva-tive people, and, no doubt, to the consternation of those persons who have been making much ado about nothing, the Supreme Court of Massachusetts has decided that under the State Contactitution women are cligible to be School Commissioners

ried women gives any woman who has signed a deed upon the representation of any men that she was his lawful wife and leaves the State, may convey, release and transfer any interest in such estate she may have without the concurrence of the man who claimed to be her husband.

Baltimore is undoubtedly most favorably situated; being the central point of trade between the North and South and between the East and the great West. It also has the great advantage of an excellent water communication, and is "equally removed from the latense cold of the northern latiof the Wandering Jow principly much and the natural more than I deserve. Could I be so bold where the atmosphere is much under fifty and salubrious."

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